Atty. Dkt. No. 053466-03

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

plicant:

Hiroaki ITO et al.

Title:

A PREVENTIVE OR

THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR INFLAMMATORY

**BOWEL DISEASE COMPRISING IL-6** ANTAGONIST AS AN **ACTIVE INGREDIENT** 

Appl. No.:

10/677,227

Appl. Filing Date: 10/3/2003

Examiner:

Prema Maria MERTZ

Art Unit:

1646

Confirmation

8597

Number:

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

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a.	Previously submitted:
. [	Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on _
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[	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered.
[	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on
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b	Enclosed are:
	[X] Amendment/Reply.
[	] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[	] Information Disclosure Statement.
[	Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s).
[	] Other.
Miscella	neous:
. [	] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37
	C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

## The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extr Pres	a Claims ent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$810.00	=	\$810.00
Total Claims:	25	-	39	= 0		x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	9	-	9	= 0		x	. \$210.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of any	Multiple I	Dependen	t Claims:	+	\$370.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	E TOTAL:	=	\$810.00

[ ] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$460.00	\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,050.00	\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,640.00	\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,230.00	\$0.00			
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	EXTENSION FE	EE TOTAL	\$0.00			
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:					
[]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2	of above):	\$0.00			
[]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.103(c)	\$0.00			
	TC	TAL FEE:	\$810.00			

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$810.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date \_\_\_\_\_\_

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